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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re : Application of LeMaire et al.
For : **PRECISION ALIGNMENT OF TIRE BUILDING DRUM TO
AUTOMATED TIRE BUILDING SYSTEM WORK STATION**
Serial No. : 09/960,078
Filed : September 21, 2001
Group Art Unit : 1733
Examiner : G. Knable
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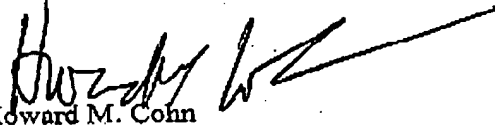
RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Attached is a Response to an Election/Restriction Requirement for the referenced application.

Applicant believes no fees are required. Please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account Number 07-1725.

Respectfully submitted,


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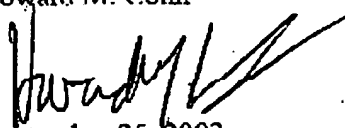
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This is in response to the Office Action dated September 5, 2003 and having a statutory period for response set to expire in one month or by October 5, 2003.

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are now pending in the application.

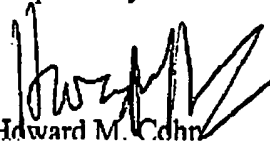
The Examiner held that this application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct inventions:

- a. Invention I, Claims 1-10, drawn to a method for aligning 3+ tire building drums moving through 3+ work stations, classified in class 156, subclass 111.
- b. Invention II, Claims 11-20, drawn to an apparatus for aligning tire building drums moving through work stations, classified in class 156, subclass 396.

Applicant hereby elects without traverse Invention I including claims 1-10, drawn to method for aligning 3+ tire building drums moving through 3+ work stations.

Favorable examination and consideration are respectfully requested.

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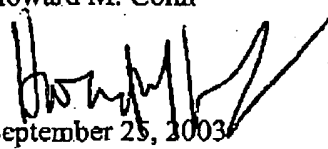
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